

REMARKS

A. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Applicant has carefully considered the matters raised by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action but remains of the opinion that patentable subject matter is present. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Examiner's position based on the above amendments to the claims and the following remarks.

B. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-3, 5-11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19 and 21-23 are currently pending in this Application. Claims 21-23 had been allowed while the remaining claims stand rejected.

This Response amends Claims 1 and 19. Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the layer which is formed on the most image side entire surface of the lens, is formed on the surface which is exposed to the outside environment. Claim 19 has been amended to recite that the layer is formed on the most eye side entire surface of the eye glass. Both of these amendments are made to particularly point out and distinctly claim the fact that the layer is

formed on an exterior surface of the lens. Support for these amendments can be found in the paragraph bridging pages 17 and 18 as well as Figure 1 wherein layer 12 is formed on an exterior surface of lens 11.

The amendments made to Claims 1 and 19 were those as discussed during the Interview with the Examiner on June 30, 2004 and it is understood that such amendments place the claims in condition for allowance, however, in order to complete the Response, the art will be addressed below.

**C. ALL CLAIMS HAVE BEEN REJECTED AS BEING ANTICIPATED BY,
OR UNPATENTABLE OVER, TUCKER, USP 6,102,539.**

As discussed during the Interview, Tucker shows a layer which is formed between two lenses. In contrast to Tucker's layer, the layer of the present Invention is formed on an exterior surface of the lens. As noted above, it is understood that the amendments made to Claims 1 and 19 define over the teachings of Tucker and place the claims in condition for allowance. Thus, it is submitted that Claims 1 and 19, as amended, define over Tucker. Since Claims 2, 3, 5-11, 13, 15, 16 and 18 all depend upon Claim 1, it is submitted that these remaining claims are also

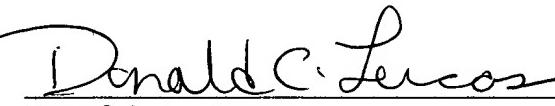
patentable over Tucker for the same reason that Claim 1 is patentable over Tucker.

D. CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the Application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account #02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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